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THE

Lilliputian Magazine:

OR, THE

Young Gentleman and Lady's Golden Library.

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An Attempt to mend the World, to render the Society of Man more amiable, and to establish the Plainness, Simplicity, Virtue and Wisdom

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GOLDEN AGE,

So much celebrated by the POETs and HISTORIANS.

Man in that Age no Rule but Reason knew, And with a Native Bent did Good pursue; Unsorc'd by Punishment, unaw'd by Fear, His Words were simple and his Soul sincere.

LONDON

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PREFACE.

IN most of our modern books, a preface has been introduced in conformity to custom; but here 'twill be found necessary to explain the work.

The authors concerned in this little book have planned out a method of education, very different from what has hitherto been offered to the publick; and more agreeable, and better adapted to the tender capacities of children than any thing I have feen. The extream novelty of their defign, the diminutive fize, and the dress in which it appears, may, perhaps, make some people look on it with an eye of contempt; but, I think, merit in every garb should be countenanced, and wisdom be cherished in whatever form it may present itself. Had nobody deviated from the beaten path, we should have had no improvements in the sciences, nor even in the common business of life; and have enjoyed our forefathers ignorance and bigotry, without their simplicity and innocence.

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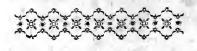
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There is no part of the work perhaps more liable to exception, than that of introducing persons of distinction in the dialogues, which may seem above the comprehension of children; but this also has its use; for, by means of this imaginary conversation, children are taught to address their superiors by their proper titles, and according to their different degrees of qualcty and distinction; and I don't perceive that those terms are harder to pronolunce, than any other in the English language.

What the authors propose by it is, to remove that rufticity and aukwardness, which appears in the common people when talking to their superiors, and to make them more dexterous in their conversation. There is nothing more certain and obvious, than that children form their style, as well as their manners, from those they converse with; and next to that of keeping polite company, I don't know any thing so likely to polith their style, as the reading of polite dialogues.

More had been faid by way of preface, but the authors, by the following dialogue,

have rendered it unnecessary.



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DIALOGUE

BETWEEN

A GENTLEMAN and the AUTHOR.

Gentleman.



Have seen, Sir, an advertisement in the papers, of the Lillipatian Magazine, to be published at Three-pence a Month: pray what is the

defign of it?

Author. Why, Sir, it is intended for the use of children, as you may perceive by the advertisement, and my design is, by way of history and sable, to sow in their minds the seeds of polite literature, and to teach them the great grammar of the universe; I mean, the knowledge of men and things.

Gent. But pray, how is that to be done in so small a compass? for you can afford

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but very little at that price, after you have paid the necessary expences of paper, print,

and advertisements.

Auth. Your observation, Sir, is very just and rational. But as my principal view is to promote learning, I shall not be afraid of a little expence. In fine, I shall give my young pupils as much for three-pence one month, as I apprehend they will be able to learn before the beginning of another; and if I am so happy as to succeed for the first fix months (in which time, the most dry and trifling part of my work will be over) I don't in the least doubt, but there are gentlemen and ladies enough who will encourage the undertaking, by purchasing the numbers as they come out, either for their own children or their poor neighbours. Gent. Why, Sir, do you think such a

trifling affair will ever engage the attention

of people of consequence?

Auth. A trifling affair, Sir, do you call it! If education is a trifling affair, I profess to you I don't know what is momentous; and was I not affured by my friends, that there was some merit in the design, and even in the execution, I should not be fo impertinent as to obtrude myself upon the public. Gent.

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Gent. Your pardon, Sir; I do not speak this of your performance, for that I like very well, and will promote it as much as possible; all my children shall have it I assure you: but what I call a trisling affair, is the price of your book, and for your own sake I wish it had been double.

Auth. You'll please to confider, Sir, that the largest book is not always the best, and that books of this sort are to be made as cheap as possible; for there are a great may poor people in his majesty's dominions, who would not be able to purchase it at a larger price, and yet these are the king's subjects, and, in their station, as much to be regarded as the rest.

Gent. Sir, I am perfectly fatisfied; I like your scheme, and I heartily wish you suc-

cess in the publication.

Auth. Thank you, good Sir; but before we part, pray let me tell you a flory, which I think is applicable to the convertation we have had.

"There was in the land of Lilliput one Mr. Mano, who had a fine house and garden, and adjoining to them a wood,

" in which he took care to nourish a great unumber of birds, and among the rest he had abundance of eagles and crows:

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" now it came to pass in spring-time, when " birds lay their eggs, that two boys got " into this wood of Mr. Mano's, and robbed the nests of one of the eagles, and " of a crow; but as they were bearing off their prize, who should they meet but " Mr. Mano himself, who obliged them to " carry the eggs back to the nests again. " In the midst of their fright and confusion, they accidentally put the crow's eggs into the eagle's nest, and the eagle's eggs into the nest of the crow: now in process of time, the young birds were hatch-" ed and grew flush, and the crows ob-" ferving their supposed mother foar aloft, " mounted after her, and out-braved all " the birds; while the young eagles that " were hatched under the crow, insensible " of their superior faculties, sat groveling " on the ground, and never attempted to " mount higher than their inauspicious " nurse the crow."

By this excellent emblem, is evidently shewn the surprising force and benefit of education. The young eagles, who were by accident hatched under a crow, grovel on the ground, and look no higher than their supposed mother; while the young crows, who had the advantage of being nartured

nurtared under the eagle, foar aloft, and

overlook their fellow-creatures.

As education, therefore, is a matter of fuch vast importance, that our happiness and mifery (and in some measure) the welfare of the kingdom and government must rest upon it, what care ought not to be taken, to unloose the minds of children from the fetters of habit and custom, to enlarge their ideas, ennoble their sentiments, and fix them firmly in the principles of virtue and good manners; for, as the celebrated Mr. Pope observes,

'Tis Education forms the tender mind;
Just as the twig is bent, the tree's inclin'd.





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OF THI

SOCIETY.

N the 26th of December, 1750, little Master Meanwell (who had by reading a great many books, and observing every thing his tutor said to him, acquired a great deal of wisdom) persected his scheme of raising a society of young gentlemen and ladies; and there were then affembled a young PRINCE, several of the young nobility, and a great many little gentlemen and ladies. After they were all feated, Master Meanwell, by order of the prince, flood up, and made a very pretty fpeech on the usefulness of learning, and the benefit of being good; for which he received the thanks of the whole house: and being again seated, they proceeded to chuse proper officers for the management of the fociety. The PRINCE was elected perpetual president; Master Meanwell,

Meanwell, on account of his great learning, was chosen speaker; and the honourable Master Prime principal secretary, because he could write better than any of the rest; and R. Goodwill, Efg; his under fecretary or affistant. Master Meanwell arose off his feat, and thanked the fociety for the honour they intended him, but begged to be excused, as there were so many gentlemen of fuperior birth, fortune and merit, who would better become that elevated place; but the PRINCE replid, Mr. Meanwell, we are not met here to distinguish ourselves by birth and title, but for our mutual improvement, and to publish what we apprehend may be of use to the world in all the valuable branches of learning. We have already had sufficient instances of your modesty and good manners; but we are all too sensible of your merit and learning, to suffer you to decline the chair; therefore, as our moments may be better employed, pray let no more time be lost in fruitless ceremony. Upon this, Mr. Meanwell bowed to the PRINCE, and to the whole fociety, and then afcended the chair; where, being feated, the pieces fent to the feveral members of the fociety were read by the fecretary, and the following ordered for publication,

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H I S T O R Y

LEO, the Great LION;
And of his GRATITUDE:

Communicated by Mr. MALO of TREBON

S Mafter Billora and three other little boys were going to school on a fine spring morning, the other three would go out of their way to sind a bird's nest. Master billora objected to this, for he was wiser than them, and very unwilling to go; 'tis late, says he, and we ought to make haste to school to learn our books, and not loiter thus by the way. But the other intended to draw him in to play truant, for they were very naughty boye. Just as they came to the side of a large wood, and were looking for a parrot's nest, they heard a great lion roar.

roar, and faw him come towards them. They were all terribly frighted, and the other three attempted to run away; but Master Billora bid them get up a high tree, that was just by; for, fays he, if we run away the lion will certainly overtake us and tear us in pieces, but if we get up this tree he cannot come at us. So they all climbed up the tree, and just as they were got to the first bough, up came the lion. He had been there much fooner, but he was lame. When he came under the tree he looked up at them, and instead of roaring, as lions usually do, he there laid himself down, held up his fore leg, and whined. This was a fad fituation for four little boys to be in, and which made it worse, they had left their satchels at the bottom of the tree, and the lion devoured all their victuals; fo that they could expect nothing but to be flarved or torn in pieces by the lion. When night came on, the other boys cried fadly, and wished they had been at school, and not played truant, and run a bird's nefting: Mafter Billora knew that crying would make their case no better, he therefore spoke to them as follows: You now fee the confequence of being wicked, and running to play when we should have been at church,

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or at school; and I hope, if you live to get out of the paws of this lion, you will never be naughty any more. Crying will do us no fervice, and therefore I beg you would be comforted; we will stay in this God Almighty to fend the lion away before the morning. What gives me great unea-finefs, is to think what pain our parents will be in for us, and how my poor dear father and mother will bemoan my abfence; however, let us fay our prayers, and depend upon God Almighty, for he only can deliver us out of the paws of this crea. ture. Don't you remember how Daniel was delivered from a whole den of lions? Why then should we despair? 'Tis true, indeed, we are wicked; but let us repent, indeed, we are wicked; but let us repent, and determine to be good for the future, and the Lord will forgive us. This faid, they composed themselves in the best manner they could, but it was a dismal night and very dark. About twelve o'clock it thundered and lightened dreadfully, and their fears were continually awakened by the howling of the lions, tygers, wolves, and other wild beafts in the wood. Now they wished for morning; but when morn-ing came, how were they surprised and confounded

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founded to fee their old enemy the lion at the bottom of the tree? Nothing was expected but death, for they were almost perrished with hunger, and upon this occasion Master Billora addressed himself to them in the following manner:

" My dear School-fellows,

"We have, by our folly, idleness, and " disobedience, here drawn ourselves into " a fnare, from which nothing can deliver " us but the immediate hand of Providence; " you are already fo weak for want of fleep " and fustenance, that you are scarce able to if fit on the tree, and behold our deadly ene-" my at the bottom; however, I am not " without hopes, for this lion deh not rage " and roar as is usual, but whineth as if he " was in extreme pain: I will descend the " tree, perhaps I may be able to get clear of " him as he is lame, and may call somebody ' to your assistance: but if he should catch " me and carry me to his den, you may get " off with fafety, and 'tis better for one to " die than all of us to perish. If I fail in the " attempt, and am destroyed, commend me " to my friends, and the Lord protect you."

This faid, he descended the tree on that

ide opposite the lion; but that creature

turned himself with surprising agility, and laid hold on him with one paw before he was well got to the bottom of the tree; and what greatly and agreeably surprised Billora, instead of offering him any violence, he only reached out one of his fore paws in which was a great thorn festered. This our young hero extracted, and the grateful beast leaped round him, licked his feet, and behaved in fuch a friendly manner as induced the other three to come off the tree. The lion run before them, leaping and playing like a fpaniel, till they came near the town, and after licking Billera's feet again he left them. Now what I am going to tell you may perhaps surprise every body, but it shews the gratitude of the lion, and evidently proves that fome beafts have better hearts than fome men, which, by the way, is, I think, a fcandal to the human species. Billora was, some years after this, hunting in the fame wood, and one of the ladies unfortunately fell off her horse and was very much hurt. Billora dismounted immediately to affift her, when out fprung from one thicket of bushes a large tyger, and from another a lion. Both ran towards Billora and the lady, as if they intended to make them their joint prey. The lion, which

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which was Billora's old friend, happened to be foremoft, and immediately upon feeing him, turned fhort, attacked the tyger, and demolished him in a few minutes, and after that ran to Billora, and behaved to him in the fame submissive manner as before, which agreeably surprised the lady, who apprehended herself in the utmost danger.

Master Malo, the young gentleman who sent this account to the society, has now a fine young lion of this breed, which is in all respects as friendly as old Leo, and is to him extremely useful; for he carries his satchel to school every day, and waits for him at the school-door to bring him home safe at night. Then he is very quiet, for he never makes any noise but when any of the children tell lies, or are naughty, and then he growls very much and seems angry.





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ADVENTURE

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Master Tommy Trusty;

And his delivering

Miss BIDDY JOHNSON,

From the THIEVES who were going to murder her.

[Communicated by ber Governess.]

ISS Biddy Johnson was a pretty girl, and learned her book very well, but fine was too fond of herself. Her beauty made her proud and disobedient to her parents, and by not taking their advice, and doing as they bid her, she had almost lost her life.

As she was their only child, her papa and mamma were remarkably fond of her, and thought nothing too good for her either





to eat, or drink, or wear. She was always dress'd as fine as a little lady, but her papa and mamma ordered her never to go out but in their company, or with their confent; however, she did not mind what they faid, but whenever she had any thing new on, away she run to shew it her play-mates. Pride makes us do many filly things. One day, when her new coat and stays were brought home, she got her maid, who was a silly girl, to put her bobs in her ears, and away she run forsooth, without any body with her, to fee Miss Fanny Tinfel. Miss Fanny was as proud a little girl as any in London, she hated every body that was finer than herfelf, and because Miss Biddy was dress'd out so, she would not play with her: upon which Miss Biddy hussed, and left her. As she was going home, she mis'd her way, and, travelling over London-bridge, she got as far as St. George's church, and there sat down upon a step and cry'd. A woman who was just by came up to her and gave her an orange, and ask'd her whose little girl she was. I am, answered she, Miss Biddy Johnson, and I have loft my way. Oh, fays the woman, you are Mr. Johnson's little girl, are you? My husband is looking after you, to carry

you home to your papa and mamma; and here, fays she, (beckoning to a man that stood by) do you carry this little Miss home, and I will go along with you; fo they took her up, and Miss Biddy did not cry, because she thought they came from her papa and mamma. When they got her out of town, she knew that was not the way home, and began to cry; but the man stuffed a nasty rag into her mouth, and tied a black crape hat-band over that, to prevent her making a noise, and then gave her to the woman, who carried her under her cloak. They conveyed her in this manner over the fields to Norwood, and there stript her of her cloaths, and was going to kill her. Master Tommy Trusty, as it was a holiday, happened to be in the wood a nutting, and hearing a child cry, made up towards the noife, and looking thro' a bush, he saw Miss Biddy, and the man with a large knife in his hand, just going to murder her. Mafter Trufty was a little boy of very good fenfe, and great courage, and of a good natured merciful disposition. He was willing to save Mis Biday; but how to do it was the question: I am alone, Jays be, (reasoning with himself) but they don't know it. I have Innocency and God Almighty

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Almighty on my fide, and these wretches have only the devil and guilt on theirs, which will naturally make them afraid; for their consciences will fly in their faces. I'll make a noise, fays he; so just as the villain was about to murder Miss Biddy, he called out, Here they are! here they are! and going to kill her. He then popt a whip he had in his hand, which made the thieves conclude that they were purfued by men on horseback, and they ran away as fast as possible, leaving Miss Biddy's cloaths behind them. Master Trusty watch'd them out of the wood, and then returned to Miss Biddy, whom he found with her hands ty'd, and crying fadly: but as foon as she faw him, she jump'd for joy. Master Tommy unty'd her hands, and putting on her cloaths he found that one of her ear-rings and bobs were wanting; but she did not mind that, for, says she, I will never be proud any more, but go home to my papa and mamma, and do every thing they bid me, and be a very good girl. Master Tommy went with her. Twas night when they came home, and her papa and mamma, thinking she was lost, were ready to devour her with kisses. They presented to Master Trusty a fine library of books, and a pretty little horse, as a reward for his

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courage, and the care he had taken of their daughter; and he has now the fatisfaction of having preferved the life of one of his play-fellows, and of being carefs'd and efteem'd by Mr. Johnson, and all who have heard this story. Miss Biddy, from being a proud naughty girl, is become exceeding dutiful to her parents, obliging to all her play-mates, and charitable to the poor: she now despites sine cloaths, and says, that virtue and good-nature are the best ornaments a young lady can avear.









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H I S T O R Y

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FLORELLA.

Sent by an UNKNOWN HAND,

And may, for ought we know, have been published before.

A N eminent citizen, who had lived in good fashion and credit, was, by a train of accidents, and by an unavoidable perplexity in his affairs, reduced to low condition. There is a modesty usually attending faultless poverty, which made him rather chuse to reduce his manner of living to his present circumstances, than follicit his friends in order to support the shew of an estate when the substance was gone. His wife, who was a woman of sense and virtue, behaved herself on this occasion with

uncommon decency, and never appeared so amiable in his eyes as now. Instead of upbraiding him with the ample fortune she had brought him, or the many great offers fhe had refused for his fake, she redoubled all the instances of her affection, while her husband was continually pouring out his heart to her in complaints, that he had ruined the best woman in the world. fometimes came home at a time when she did not expect him, and furprifed her in tears, which she endeavoured to conceal, and always put on an air of chearfulness to receive him. To lessen their expence, their eldest daughter, whom I shall call Florella, was fent into the country, to the house of an honest farmer, who had married a servant of the family. This young woman was apprehensive of the ruin which was approaching, and had privately engaged a friend in the neighbourhood to give her an account of what passed from time to time in her father's affairs. Florella was in the bloom of her youth and beauty, when the lord of the manor, who often called in at the farmer's house as he followed his country sports, fell passionately in love with her. He was a man of great generolity, but from a loofe education had contracted a hearty aversion

aversion to marriage. He therefore entertained a defign upon Florella's virtue, which at present he thought fit to keep private. The innocent creature, who never suspected his intentions, was pleased with his person; and having observed his growing passion for her, hoped by fo advantageous a match fhe might quickly be in a capacity of supporting her impoverished relations. One day, as he called to fee her, he found her in tears over a letter she had just received from her friend, which gave an account that her father had lately been stript of every thing by an execution. The lover, who with difficulty found out the cause of her grief, took this occasion to make her a proposal. It is impossible to express Florella's confufion, when she found his pretentions were not honourable. She was divested of all her hopes, and had no power to fpeak: but rushing from him, in the utmost disturbance, lock'd herself up in her chamber. He immediately dispatched a messenger to her father, with the following letter.

I Have heard of your misfortune, and have offer'd your daughter, if she will live with me, to settle on her four hundred pounds

pounds a year, and to lay down the fum for which you are now diftressed. I will be so ingenuous as to tell you I don't intend marriage; but if you are wise, you will use your authority with her not to be too nice when she has an opportunity of saving you and your family, and of making herself happy. I am, &c.

This letter came to the hand of Florella's mother; she opened it and read it with great surprise and concern; she did not think it proper to explain herself to the messenger, but defired him to call again the next morning: She wrote to her daughter as follows:

DEAR CHILD,

YOUR father and I have just now received a letter from a gentleman, who pretends to love you, with a proposal that infults our misfortunes, and would throw us to a lower degree of misery than any thing that is come upon us.

How could the barbarous man think, that the tenderest of parents would be tempted to supply their want, by giving up the best of children to infamy and ruin: It is a mean and cruel artisce, to make

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this proposal, at a time, when he thinks our necessities must compel us to any thing. But we will not eat the bread of shame, and therefore we charge thee not to think of us, but to avoid the share which is laid for thy virtue; beware of pitying us; it is not so bad, perhaps, as you have been told; all things will yet be well, and I shall write my child better news.

I have been interrupted I know not how, I was moved to say things would mend; as I was going on, I was startled by a noise of one that knocked at the door, and hath brought us an unexpected supply of a debt which had long been owing. Oh! I will now tell thee all: it is some days I have lived without support, having conveyed what little money I could raise to your poor father—Thou wilt weep to think where he is; yet be affured he will foon be at liberty. That cruel letter would have broke his heart, but I have concealed it from him; I have no companion at prefent besides little Fanny, who stands watching my looks as I write, and is crying for her fifter; she fays, she is sure you are not well, having discovered that my present trouble is about you. But do not think I would thus repeat my forrows to grieve thee:

thee: no, it is to entreat thee, not to make them insupportable, by adding what would be worse than all. Let us bear chearfully an affliction which we have not brought on ourselves; and remember, that there is a power who can better deliver us out of it, than by the loss of thy innocence: heaven preserve my dear child!

Thy affectionate mother,

The messenger, notwithstanding he promised to deliver the letter to Florella, carried it to his master; whom, he imagined, would be glad to have an opportunity of giving it into her hands himself. His master was impatient to know the success of his proposal, and therefore broke open the letter privately to fee the contents. He was not a little moved at fo true a picture of virtue in diffress; but at the same time was infinitely furprifed to find his offers rejected. However, he refolved not to suppress the letter; but carefully sealed it up again, and carried it to Florella. All his endeavours to fee her were vain, till she was affured he brought a letter from her mother. He would not part with it, but upon condition she should read it without leaving the room. While she was perusing it, he fixed his eyes on her face with the deepest attention. Her concern gave a new softness to her beauty, and when she burst into tears, he could no longer refrain from bearing a part in her forrow; and told her too that he had read the letter, and was resolved to make reparation for having been the occasion of it. My reader will not be displeased to see the second epistle which he now wrote to Florella's mother.

MADAM,

Am full of shame, and will never forgive myself, if I have not your pardon for what I lately wrote. It was far from my intention to add trouble to the afflicted; nor could any thing but my being a stranger to you, have betrayed me into a fault, for which, if I live, I shall endeavour to make you amends as a son. You cannot be unhappy while Florella is alive, nor shall be, if any thing can prevent it that is in the power of,

Madam,

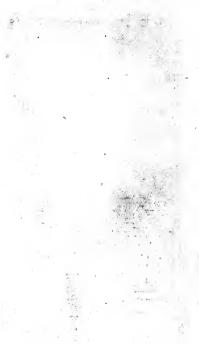
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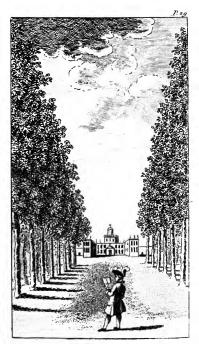
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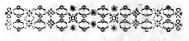
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This letter he fent by his steward, and foon after went up to town himself, to compleat the generous act he had now resolved on. By his friendship and assistance, Florella's father was quickly in a condition of retrieving his perplexed affairs. To conclude, he married Florella, and enjoyed the double satisfaction of having restored a worthy family to their former prosperity, and making himself happy by an alliance to their virtues.









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HISTORY

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Rife and Progress of LEARNING

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L I L L I P U T

Brought over in the Ship Swallow, by Master Ramble.

N. B. Before we read the following account of these people, 'twill be proper to observe,' that, tho' the wilgar tongue, or common language of Lilliput, was a branch of the Etrolan; yet that used at court, and among people of the best taste, was the English, which the king, out of the great esseem be has had for these people, ever since his acquaintance with Mr. Gulliver, has endeavoured to introduce and establish throughout his dominions.

BILLY HIRON was born at Savo in Lilliput. His father was a gentleman of great integrity and honour, and on that account much admired by all degrees of D 3 people.

people. It is faid of him, that he never told a lie in his life, never injured any body, nor defired any thing that was not his own. He was a compleat master of his passions, possessed a great share of contentment, and was for that very reason exceeding happy. That a contented mind is a con-tinual feast, was one of his maxims; and without it, he faid, it was impossible to live with any degree of fatisfaction. To illustrate and inforce this maxim, he would often mention Alexander, who, although he had conquered all the world, and made even kings his flaves, was not fatisfied; but cryed like a naughty school-boy, because he had no more business for his ambition. When the great ones in the state were quarrelling about wealth, he would laugh at them. Riches and titles, fays he, are like bubbles on a running stream, liable to be blown away by the first breeze, or jostled into nothing by the next wave. Why all this anxiety, this longing after riches? You can eat no more, drink no more, fleep no more, than you do now. Believe me, friends, a woollen coat is as warm as a filken one, and there is as much comfort in a cap as in a crown. Exercise was his chief physick, and, though a gentleman, he carned his bread before he eat it, that he might eat it with the greater

pleasure.

His mother was one of those fort of ladies who took delight in houshold affairs, and the management of her children. She saw no one she could have liked so well as her hushand, or that she thought half so wise. Her principal study was to please him, and, if possible, to render him and his samily more happy. And by this means, old Mr. Hiron and his lady lived a long and peaceful life, though all the rest of the state were continually in arms.

Master Billy's father gave him what learning Lilliput at that time of ignorance afforded, which was very little; however, he had good natural parts, and the fmall affiftance he had from his tutor, ferved to fet the machinery of his genius at work. When he was but ten years old, he formed a scheme for the cultivation of learning, but it was rejected by king Abibo; this king died however foon after, and left his fon Miram to reign over the people of Lilliput. Abibo was a morofe, ill-natured, illiterate prince. He was univerfally hated for his cruel and inhuman disposition, and pride and ambition led him into continual wars with the neighbouring nations, and domestic domestic quarrels with his own subjects. So that his whole reign was a continued

feries of perplexity and forrow.

Miram was a very little boy when he ascended the throne, but he had, by reading the best books he could procure, by conversing with master Hiron, and by keeping company with those only who were admired for their virtue and wisdom, acquired the understanding, penetration, and prudence of a man. Then he was of a sweet disposition, affable, mild, and generous; capable of the strictest friendship, and so great a patron and encourager of truth, that the telling a lie was in his reign deemed a capital crime, and punished with death. Miram faw the rock on which Abibo split, and avoided it. After the decent interment of his father, whom he loved extremely, he fent for his principal subjects to court, and, in a polite and princely harangue, told them, that it should be his study to make his reign agreeable to them. That he bore to them the affection of a father, and he hoped, in return, they would confider themselves as his children, and endeavour to live with each other, as brothers ought to do, in peace and love; otherwise his defigns, which were intended to promote their ry and happiness, would be frustrated. e affembled applauded the young prince, nked him for his gracious speech, and n dispersed themselves with hearts full joy, and minds big with expectation. King Miram having thus dissolved all mosities at home, bent his thoughts tords accommodating matters abroad, with nations with whom his father was at r. But, before he fent ambassadors for t purpose, he issued out orders for a ghty preparation of warlike stores; lest neighbouring princes should think his positions were the effect rather of timiy, or fear, than any pious disposition for ce and good neighbourhood. All the ministers that met at the apnted congress, were alarmed at the intelence they received of these mighty preations; but king Miram affured them, by ambassadors, that tho' he was in all re-As provided to avenge his father's quaryet he should always prefer peace to war, vided he found the same friendly dispoon in his neighbours. In fine, by the pruice of the prince, and the vigilance of ministers, but especially of master Hiron, olid and lafting peace was concluded; ch left king Miram at full liberty to reform

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form fome vices in the state, and to encourage virtue, learning, and commerce.

Now liberty sprung up and displayed it-felf, like the tree of life in paradife; the dews of heaven came upon it, and the earth offered all her nourishment; its trunk was reared in strength and beauty, its branches spread over the land, its root was deep in virtue, on its leaves were the sciences written, the people were happy who dwelled under its shade, and the fruit of glory dropped upon them. King Miram took no step without the advice of master Hiron; and as he studied the interest and peace both of the prince and the people, the whole community was exceedingly happy.

How master Hiron improved the arts and sciences in Lilliput, and taught even little children to become polite gentlemen and ladies, will be shewn in the future part of this work; which all our society are desired to learn, for by learning of that account perfectly, they will also learn the arts and sciences.





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Master L O W T H E R,

TO THE

SPEAKER of the SOCIETY,

In Behalf of honest Robin, Mr. Littlewit's Dunghill Cock, dated Barnet, Feb. 16, 1750.

Mr. SPEAKER,

Have often addreffed your honour in favour of my own species, and have hitherto been heard with complacency and good-nature; you have always promised me redress, and, what is more, you have ever performed your promises to a tittle, and generally been before-hand with my expectation, which is exceedingly meritorious in a gentleman of your high station, and emboldens me to address you again without fear or ceremony; for, while my theme is humanity, I know my letters can never offend you.

What I now presume to trouble you with, is the case of honest Robin, the dunghill-cock of Mr. Littlewit of Barnet, in the county of Hertford. Robin was fix years a faithful servant to his master, had the principal care of his poultry, and warded off both the hawk and the buzard; he took care likewise to provide his master with eggs for custards, puddings, and pancakes; and as the Littlewits were ever a lazy family, and apt to lie long in bed, to the great prejudice of their health and neglect of their bufiness, Robin, ever watchful of his master's interest, made it his business to call him every morning. Besides these, he did him other fignal fervice, all out of pure honest love and hearty friendship, without any gratuity or reward; for he never fo much as asked him, either for meat, drink, or cloaths; but supported himfelf.

like a good member of fociety, by his own industry. Yet, notwithstanding this, his ungrateful master, Mr. Littlewit, hath cruelly, barbaroufly, and inhumanly twice tied him to a stake, and for Tavo-pence three throws, fuffered him to be bandied about by all his relations, who are very numerous; for the family of the Littlewits is a large family: his head and body were fadly bruis'd, one of his wings and both his legs were broken, and yet his cruel master (who by the way calls himself a Christian) intends next Tuesday to prop him up with sticks, that his brother Littlewits may murder him by inches, and then feaft on fritters, and rejoice over his mangled body.

Cruelty to animals is a crime fo great, that in scripture we are frequently admo-

nished to use them tenderly.

There is a passage in the book of Jonas, when God declares his unwillingness to destroy Nineweh, where methinks that compassion of the Creator, which extends to the meanest rank of his creatures, is expressed with wonderful tenderness—Should I not spare Nineweh the great city, subterin are more than sixsore thousand persons—and also much cattle? And we have in Deuteronomy

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a precept of great good nature of this fort, with a bleffing in form annexed to it in these words; If thou shalt find a bird's nest in the way, thou shalt not take the dam with the young, but thou shalt in any wife let the dam go; that it may be well with thee, and that theu may'ft prolong thy days. To con-clude; there is certainly a degree of gra-titude owing to those animals that serve us; as for fuch as are mortal and noxious, we have a right to destroy them; but for those that are neither of advantage or prejudice to us, the common enjoyment of life is what I cannot think we ought to deprive them of; and I hope you will admit none into your fociety, who are guilty of any of those inhuman practices. I am, Sir,

Your most obedient humble servant,
T. LOWTHER.

ORDERS of the SOCIETY, in confequence of this LETTER.

Otwithstanding it is the opinion of this wise nation, that the cocks of the present time had a hand in the persecution carried on by the Danes seven hundred years ago; yet, this society has acquitted them of that fact, and declared them innocent.

'Tis the refolution also of this house, that a committee be appointed to return their ranks to the right honourable the Lord-mayor, and the magistrates of this city, for abolishing that inhuman practice of throwing at cocks within their jurisdiction. They have likewise resolved to petition the right reverend, and the reverend clergy, to draw up a bill to be laid before the parliament, utterly to abolish the same throughout the kingdom; and to order, that none of their church-yards, which are dedicated to solemnity and peace, shall for the future be stained with the blood of any innocent animal.

N. B. Six little masters of this society are discharged from the register, for being concerned in throwing at cocks last Shrove-Tuesday, and notice is given them of it by our secretary; so that they are to expect no more books.





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A Gentleman in company complaining that he was very subject to catch cold in his feet; another, not overloaded with sense, told him, that might easily be prevented, if he would follow his directions: I always get (said he) a thin piece of lead out of an India chest, and sit it to my shoe for that purpose. Then, sir, (says the former) you are like a rope-dancer's pole, you have lead at both ends.

A country farmer was observed never to be in a good humour when he was hungry; which caused his wife to watch carefully the time of his coming home, and always to have dinner on the table. One day he surprised her, and she had only time to fet a mess of broth ready for him. He, according to custom, began to open his pipes and maunder over it, forgetting what he was about, and burnt his mouth to some purpose. His wife seeing him in that condition, comforts him in the following

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lowing manner: See how it is now, had you kept your breath to cool your pottage, you had not burnt your mouth, John.

It was an usual saying of king Charles II. that sailors get their money like horses, and spend it like asses; and the following story, I think, is an instance of it. One sailor coming to another on a pay-day, desired to borrow twenty shillings of him. The money'd man fell to telling out the sum in shillings, but a half-crown thrusting its head in, put him out, and he began to tell again, when an impertinent crownpiece was as officious as his half-brother had been, and interrupted the tale: so taking up a handful of silver, he cried, there Jack, give me a handful awhen your ship is paid, wobat signifies counting it.

A taylor fent his bill to a lawyer for money; the lawyer bid the boy tell his mafter that he was not running away, but very bufy at that time. The boy comes again, and tells him he must needs have the money. Didst tell thy master, faid the lawyer, that I was not running away? yes, fir, fays the boy, but he bid me tell you, that he was.

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One told another, who was not used to be cloathed often, that his new coat was too short for him; that's true, said he, but it will be long enough before I get another.

Henry IV. of France, reading the following oftentatious inscription on the monument of a Spanish officer. Here lies the body of Don, &c. &c. who never knew what sear was. Then, says the King, he never snuffed a candle with his singers.

The standers-by, to comfort a poor man who lay on his death-bed, told him, he should be carried to church by four lusty proper fellows. I thank you, said he, but I had much rather go myself.





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HAPPY NIGHTINGALE.

A SONG.

By POLLY NEWBERY.

I.

THE Nightingale, in dead of night, On some green hawthorn, hid from fight,

Her wond'rous art displays; While all the feather'd choir's at rest, Nor fowler's snares her joys molest, She sings melodious lays.

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II.

The groves her warbling notes repeat,
The filence makes her music sweet,
And heightens ev'ry note:
Benighted travellers admire
To hear her these exert her fire,
And swell her little throat.

III.

No fear of phantoms, frightful noife, Nor hideous form her blifs destroys; Darkness no terror brings: But each returning shade of night, Affords the songther new delight; Unaw'd she sits and sings.

IV.

So children who are good and wife, Hobgoblin stories will despise, And all such idle tales; Virtue can fortitude instil, And ward off all impending ill, Which over vice prevails.



A Receipt to make MINCE-PIES, of Such Materials as are cheap, agreeable to every Palate, and will not offend the Stomach.

Communicated by Miss TASTE.

TAKE golden pippins par'd two pound, Two pounds of well fired good beef fuet,

Two pounds of raisins chop'd and ston'd,
And put two pounds of currants to it;

Half ounce of cinnamon well beat,

Of fugar three fourths of a pound, And one green lemon-peel shred neat, So that it can't with ease be found; Add sack or brandy, spoonfuls three,

And one large Seville orange squeeze; Of sweat-meats a small quantity,

And you'll the nicest palate please.

NEW RIDDLES,

By MEMBERS of the Society.

To be answered in our Next.

RIDDLE I. Sent by Miss Bloom.

HE first hour I was born, to full stature

And ne'er in a cradle once fought for repose;

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But yet there's no mortal on earth ever had So many good children or fo many bad.

RIDDLE II. By Miss Scott.
Tho' a cook I'm so lean,
As my ribs may be seen,
But I care not a farthing for that;
'Cause when vict'als I dress,
All about me confess,
They are cover'd all over with sat.

RIDDLE III. By Mis Young.

Tis true I have both face and hands,
And move before your eye,
Yet when I go my body stands,
And when I stand I lie.

RIDDLE IV. By Master Hunter.
Like W----TON, in different dress,
I either sex can ape,
And like her, all mankind confess;
Have comeliness and shape:
Had she the innocence of me,
And I her air and parts;
She would a perfect goddess be,
And I should gain more hearts.

NEW EPIGRAMS. By MEMBERS of the SOCIETY.

An EPIGRAM, on feeing two pretty Miffes dancing a Minuet. By Master Long.

TATHILE now you trace the number of your years, Bright innocence in ev'ry step appears; Oh! may you when that number doubles, be From ev'ry reigning vice and dang'rous.

passion free. An EPIGRAM, on a little Miss's pricking her

Finger in gathering a Rose. By Master Grove.

Cease, JENNY, cease, to pine and grieve. The trifling wound you now receive, Admits of prefent cure; Think rather of that cruel fmart, You'll one day cause in Damon's heart, Which he may long endure.

An EPIGRAM on a drowly dull Boy, who was often whipped for not learning his Lefons. By Miss Peggy Smart.

HOMER, 'tis faid, wou'd fometimes nod, Humphry no certain Vigil keeps; But like his top defies the rod; The more he's whipt the more he fleeps.





A PASTORAL HYMN.

By a GENTLEMAN.

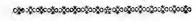
HOW chearful along the gay mead, The dasses and cowslips appear; The flocks as they carelessly feed, Rejoice in the spring of the year. The myrtles that shade the gay bow'rs, The herbage that springs from the fod, Trees, plants, cooling fruits, and fweet flow'rs.

All rife to the praise of my God.

II.

Shall man the great master of all, The only infensible prove? Forbid it fair gratitude's call, Forbid it devotion and love. The Lord who fuch wonders could raise, And still can destroy with a nod, My lips shall incessantly praise, My foul shall be wrapt in my God.

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LITTLE TOMMY TRIP,

AND

His Doc JOULER.

OMMY TRIP was but a little tiny fellow; not much bigger than Tom Thumb, but a great deal better; for he was a good scholar, and whenever you see him, you will always find him with a book in his hand, and his faithful dog Jouler by his fide. Jouler ferves him for a horse as well as a dog; and Tommy, when he has a mind to ride, pulls a little bridle out of his pocket, whips it upon honest Jouler, and away he gallops, tantwivy. As he rides thro' the town, he frequently stops at the doors, to know how the little children do within; and if they are good and learn their books, he then leaves an apple, an orange, or a plumb-cake at the door,





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and away he gallops, again, tantwivy, tan-

twivy, tantwivy. You have heard how he beat Woglog the great giant, I suppose, Have you not? But lest you should not, I will tell you.— As Tommy was walking through a meadow on a moon-light night, he heard a little boy cry, upon which he called to Jouler, bridled him, and galloped away to the place; when he came there, he found Woglog with a little boy under his arm, whom he was going to throw into the water. Little boys should never loiter about in the fields, nor even in the streets after it is dark. However, as he had been a good boy in other respects, little Trip was determined the giant should not hurt him; and therefore he called to him. " Here you great giant, you Woglog! fet down the little boy, or I'll make you dance like a pea on a tobacco-pipe. Are not you ashamed to fet your wit to a child?" Woglog turned round, attempted to feize little Trip between his finger and thumb, and thought to have cracked him as one does a walnut; but just as his hand came to him, Jouler snapped at it, and bit a piece of his thumb, which put the giant in fo much pain, that he let fall the little boy, who

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ran away. Little Trip then up with his whip and lashed Woglog, till he lay down and roared like a town-bull, and promised never to meddle with any little boys and girls again. After he had thus beat the giant, Trip put the little boy upon Jouler, and carried him home to his father and mother; but upon the road he charged him to be a good boy, and to say his prayers, and learn his book, and do as his papa and mamma bid him, which this little boy has done ever fince; and so must all other little boys and girls, or nobody will love them.







JOSEPH and his BRETHREN.

A Scripture History.

HE patriarch Jacob had twelve fons; but Joseph and Benjamin were his peculiar favourites. The former having always the ear of his indulgent father, and telling him feveral officious stories (which in all probability were too true) to the difadvantage of his brothers, became the object of their fcorn and mortal hatred: but what was ftill a higher aggravation, he openly (and perhaps with a fecret pride too) related to them two particular dreams of his own, which portended his future advancement, and their bowing the knee before him.

Upon this, in the height of their refentment, they determined to destroy him. But when Ruben, one of his brothers, heard it, he delivered him out of their hands, and, that he might carry him again to his father, faid, Bed no blood, but caft him into the pit. They then stript him of his coat of many colours, and cast him into the pit, and and fat down to eat bread. As they were thus regaling themselves, and triumphing over their poor brother's missfortunes, a company of merchants advanced towards them, and they ran infantly to the pit, drew up Joseph, and sold him for twenty pieces of silver. When Ruben, who had left them, returned unto the pit and saw that Joseph was not there, he rent his cloaths, and returned unto his brethren, and said, the child is not, and I, whither shall I go?

As the merchants were going from Gilead to Egypt, they carried Joseph with them directly to court; where they foon disposed of him, at an advanced price, to Posiphar,

a captain of Pharoah's guards.

No fooner was the lad out of fight, but his brethren formed a fcheme to conceal their guilt, and delude their poor aged father. Accordingly, they killed a kid, and having dipped Joseph's coat into the blood, they carried it directly home to Jacob, infinuating, with hypocritical tears in their eyes, that some wild beast had devoured his little darling, and left only his bloody garment.

Jacob, upon this melancholy fight, not fuspecting any fallacy, but concluding that

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Joseph was torn to pieces, burst into a flood of tears, and would not be comforted.

In the mean time, *Potiphar*, observing that the lad whom he had purchased was industrious to the last degree, and that all things prospered which he took in hand, made him steward over all his houshold.

Now Joseph being a very comely youth, his mistress was so charmed with his person, that she used all the arts of sond persuasion to lure him to her bed; but he turned a deaf ear to her amorous intreaties. Upon this unexpected coldness, her love son turned to hatred, and she warmly accused him before her husband of insolently attempting to rob her of her honour. Potiephar, being too easy and credulous, resented the indignity, and without farther enquiry cast his slave into the king's prison.

Joseph had not been long confined there, before he gave such undeniable evidences of his virtue and wisdom, that the keeper proved as indulgent to him as Poliphar had been before. He had a peculiar talent at interpreting dreams; and it came to pass, in process of time, that Pharaoh himself had two that were very remarkable, and gave him no small uncasiness: the one, that seven fat kine came out of the river,

and grazed in an adjacent meadow, and feven lean kine followed and immediately devoured them: the other, that feven full ears of corn shot out upon one stem, and seven thin ears that very instant sprang up and destroyed them.

Now, tho' Pharaoh fent for all his learned magicians to interpret these perplexing dreams, no one was found capable of giving him the least satisfaction, till Joseph

was brought out of prison.

No fooner was the dream repeated, but Joseph, without the least hesitation, assured Pharaoh, that the seven fat kine, and the seven full ears of corn, denoted seven years of plenty; and the seven lean kine, and the seven thin ears, in like manner, signified seven years of famine: and thereupon he advised the king to fill all his store-houses with corn during the first seven years; by which means he might gain immense sums of money, by selling it again to his people at the approach of the famine.

This scheme was highly approved of, and put into execution accordingly: and as every thing came to pass as Joseph had foretold, he was made steward immediately of all the king's houshold, and chief ma-

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nager under the king over all the land of

Egypt. And it came to pass, that the famine extended as far as the land of Canaan, where Jacob lived; who, wanting the common necessaries of life, fent all his fons (except Benjamin) down to Egypt to buy corn for his subfissence. Now Joseph faw his brethren and knew them, but made himfelf flrange; and speaking roughly to them, faid, Whence came ye? And they faid, From the land of Canaan to buy food. But Joseph accused them of being spies, and told them, that they were come to fee the nakedness of the land. And they answered, We are no spies; but thy servants are twelve brethren, the fons of one man in the land of Canaan; and behold the youngest is this day with our father, and the other is not. 'Tis well, faid Joseph, and hereby ye shall be proved; for, by the life of Pharaoh, ye shall not go hence unless your younger brother come unto me. Send one of you, and let him fetch your brother, and ye shall be kept in prison, that your words may be proved. And he thut them up for three days; and on the third day, he said unto them, This do and live, for I fear God. If you be true men,

let one of your brethren be bound in the house of your prison; and go ye, carry corn to your father; but bring your brother to me that your words may be verified, and ye shall not die. In this distress, they reslected on their ill treatment of Joseph, and faid, Surely for his fake is this evil come upon us. And Ruben upbraided them, faying, I Spoke to you not to burt the child, and ye would not hear me: and now behold his blood is come upon us. All this was spoken in the presence of Joseph; but they knew not that he understood them, for he conversed with them by an interpreter. Jefeph turned from them and wept; and returning again, took Simeon, and bound him before their eyes. Then he commanded their facks to be filled with corn, and gave fecret orders to put each man's money in his fack. Now, when they were departed, one of them opening his fack to give his afs provender, espied the money, and shewed it to his brethren; and they were fore afraid, and faid one to another, Why has this evil happened to us? And they came to Jacob, and told him all that had befallen them; and that the lord of the country had demanded their brother Benjamin. And Jacob, their father, was forrowful.

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he fent a messenger after them, who accused them with stealing the cup. But they said, "We have neither taken gold nor filver from thy lord. Search each man's fack, and with whom it is found let him die, and we will be bondsmen for ever." And the cup was found in Benjamin's fack. And they rent their cloaths, and returned to the city. And Judah and his brethren came to 'fofeph's house, and fell before him to the ground. And Joseph faid, What deed is this that ye have done? Did not ye know that I could divine? And Judah faid, "What shall we fay unto my Lord, or how shall we clear ourselves? God has found out the iniquity of thy servants, and we are thy bond-flaves." But Joseph anfwered, God forbid! The man with whom the cup is found shall be secured, but get ye up in peace to your father. And Judab came near, and faid, "O my Lord, let thy fervants I pray thee, speak a word in my Lord's ears, and be not angry; for thou art even as Pharach. When thou didft command thy fervants to bring this our brother down, we could not prevail with our father to part with him; for he faid, My fon Joseph is torn in pieces already, and Benjamin will perish also. If ye take him

him from me, and mischief should befall him, ye will bring down my grey hairs with forrow to the grave. Now, therefore, when I come to my father, and the lad is not with me, he will furely die. Thy fervant become a furety for the lad, faying, If I bring him not unto thee again, then will I bear the blame for ever. So I pray thee let thy fervant be a bondsman instead of the lad, and fend him up with his brethren; for how can I go up to my father, and fee the evil that will befal him?" At this Joseph could no longer refrain, but ordered every man to go out of the room, before he made himself known to his brethren. And he wept aloud, and faid, I am Joseph your brother. Doth my father yet live? And his brethren could not answer him, for they were troubled at his presence. And he faid unto them, Come near I pray you; and they came near. And he faid, " I am Joseph your brother, whom ye fold into Egypt. Now therefore be not grieved, nor angry with yourselves, that ye sold me hither; for God did fend me before you to preserve life: So'twas not ye that fent me, but the Almighty. Haste ye, and go to my father, and fay unto him, Thus faith thy fon Joseph, God hath made me lord of all Egypt. Come down unto me, tarry not: And thou shalt dwell in the land of Gospen, and there will I nourish thee, lest thou and thy houshold come to poverty; for there will yet be five years famine. Behold your eyes see, and the eyes of my brother Benjamin, that 'tis my mouth that speaketh unto you. Tell my father all my glory in Egypt, and of all that ye have seen; and ye shall hase, and bring down my father hither." And he fell upon his brother Benjamin's neck and wept, and Benjamin wept upon his neck. Moreover, he kis'd all his brethren, and wept upon them, and after that his brethren talk'd with him freely.

This pathetic interview came to the ears of Pharaoh, who ordered Joseph to send waggons out of the land of Egypt to bring down his father; and Joseph did so, and gave them provisions for the way. And to each man he gave also changes of raiment; but to Benjamin he gave 300 pieces of silver, and sive changes of raiment. And he sent his father twenty assessment. And he send things of the land. But when they came to their father, and told him, saying, Joseph is yet alive, and is governor over all the land of Egypt, Jacob's heart fainted, for he believed them not; and when they

told him the words of Joseph, and he saw the waggons that were sent to carry him down, the spirit of Jacob revived, and he said, it is enough, Joseph my son is yet alive; I will go and see him before I die. So Jacob made ready to go down into Egypt, and Joseph prepared his chariot to meet him, and presented himself to his father; and he fell on his neck, and wept greatly; and Israel said unto Joseph, now let me die; fince I have seen thy face, and thou art yet alive, O my son.





A

Narrative of a VOYAGE to the Island of ANGELICA.

By Master JEMMY GADABOUT.

ASTER Jemmy Gadabout, the only fon of an eminent merchant in the city, was an extraordinary fine boy, and very good; but was often brought into

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difficulties, by a share of curiosity, seldom to be sound in persons of his age, which was now about ten. He spent all his pocket money in going to see wild beasts and trange sisten, and had more joy in viewing an Indian prince, than another would have had in eating a ginger-bread king. He possessed a great portion of personal bravery; he was the cock of his seat in the school; neither would he have refused, upon a proper occasion, to have encountered Jack the Giant-killer himself.

About the year 1741, Mr. Jonathan Gadabout, his father, was preparing to make a voyage in person to the West-Indies; he having some affairs to settle in Janaica, which could not be managed without his presence. The day before his departure, Master Jemmy, as was his constant custom both morning and evening, came to ask his Papa's bleffing, which he did with more than afual earnestness; and when he had obtained it, he remained still on his knees, urging that he had still another favour to ask. "Name it, my child, fays his father."
Why it is, replied he, that I may accompany ou to the West-Indies. Nothing could have Surprifed Mr. Jonathan Gadabout so much, as a request of this nature, from a child fo young! He was, however, determined not to comply with it; but being a very tender parent, he condescended to give him some reasons for his refusal. He remonstrated to him, that he was by no means able to bear the satigues of theocean, or the change of the climates. He observed to him, that such a scheme would be taking him from his books and teachers, and be squandering that time which, at his age, was par-

ticularly precious.

These things, and many more he urged, to distuade our sanguine young hero; who, nevertheless, still remained on his knees. He declared he was not at all alarmed at any danger, which he must share in common with the best of parents, whom, he defired to recollect, that he never could be terrified with nonfenfical stories of witches and hobgoblins, as naughty boys were. As for his books, they might be fent on board with him: And with regard to his master, he could have none abler, or better, than his dear papa. In short, with tears, intreaties, and embraces, he at length fo wrought on Mr. Jonathan, that he confented; and they went on board the Charming Nancy, Captain Flipsop commander, on the 11th of June O. S. 1741, and the 12th

they fet fail with a fair wind. Every thing went on prosperously for fome days; Master Jemmy was not in the least sea-fick, and clamber'd up the ropes with the activity of a squirrel. But after their passing the channel about a day's voyage, on the great Atlantic, they fpied a veffel of an enormous fize, and of a form fo fingular, that they could at no rate guess to what country she belonged; and, to fay the truth, they must have been conjurors at least to have found them out; for they were a crew of Angelicans, those sagacious people whom nature has not only furnished with two eyes in their foreheads, but with a supernumerary one on the tip of the right-hand middle finger. By making a proper use of this eye, as Master Jemmy afterwards discovered, they can see into the hearts of men, which, if they appear the least polluted, render them incapable of being subjects to the monarch of Angelica.

When they came up with the Charming Nancy, they hoisted an artificial Olive-branch, formed entirely of emeralds, and white wands composed of the purest pearl, upon which Captain Flipsap very rightly

concluded they intended no violence. They boarded the ship, however, and upon so hear a view, appeared to be no more than a gigantic fort of Lilliputians, about the size of the fairies in Mr. Garrick's Queen Mab.

The commanding officer ordered all the Charming Nancy's crew upon deck, and put the middle finger of his right hand down the throats of every man, one after another, but shook his head terribly, till he came to Master Jemmy, who was the last he examined; and then he cried out, with a voice of transport, Pegill Pogos, which we have since learnt signifies, be is spotless and will do.... Upon which they took Jemmy aboard their own vessel from the arms of his weeping father, whom we must leave, at prefent, to accompany his son to Cherubinium, the capital city of the kingdom of Angelica, an island in the Golden Ocean.

This city is built on the fummit of a hill, which overlooks the sea. As the country round it abounds with the finest maible, gold, diamonds, rubies, and other precious stones, 'tis no wonder the buildings should be more superb and grand than any thing the gentle reader can conceive. The streets are spacious; their public structures, and indeed





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indeed all their houses are lofty, and nobly defigned; and as the outer walls are marble and jasper, the window frames studded with diamonds, and the roofs, instead of tiling, overlaid with sheets of pure gold; the city, when the fun shines, makes a glorious appearance, and when you are at fea, has a most furprifing effect. Cherubinium is furrounded with orange and citron groves, overtopp'd by feveral rows of stately pines at a diffance; and to render the place more romantic and amazing, nature has formed two large cataracts, one on each fide the city, which pour their crystal streams down the hill with great rapidity; and the noise of those water-falls, when echoed back by the distant woods, is more entertaining than the most harmonious music.

Between these cataracts, and just opposite the south gate of the city, is a large basson, made for their shipping, with a good key, on which master Jemmy was landed. No sooner was our young traveller ashore, but he was surrounded by a croud of spectators, who all behaved to him with great politeness, and seemed highly delighted with the sigure he made, having never seen such a creature before. I forgot to inform my reader, that Mr. Jonathan Gadabout, before

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fore he parted from his fon, took care to fill both his fob-pockets with money, to fecure him from want; which piece of paternal affection had almost cost poor Jemmy his life. 'Tis a maxim with the Angelicans, that noman should secure to himself more of any thing than he has occasion for, and especially if he knows it will be serviceable to another: For they fay a man's carrying more money than he wants, is as abfurd as a man's wearing two great coats. By means of this maxim, which is carried into execution by a law, the Angelicans have all necessaries in common, and there is no fuch thing as a beggar to be found in their streets. Now when master Jemmy came to be examined and fearched, as the custom is in that country, and money being found in both his pockets, he was suspected of having a bad heart, and this question was put to him, viz. Whether there were not several persons of his own country on board his ship that had none? Jemmy answered in the affirmative, and all the people cried out, Cog ma Gootha! Cog ma Gootha! that is, in English, let him suf-fer! let him suffer! upon which master Jemmy was thrown into a prison, where he endured innumerable hardships; for the gaolers there are not like those in England;

they would not accept of any bribe to leffen his confinement, or to remove his chains; but behaved to him, in all respects, as their law directed.

Master Gadabout, after being confined about a month, was taken very ill, which being made known to the magistrates by the gaolers, who are in that country mighty honest good people, a physician was or-dered to attend him. The physicians of Angelica don't affect an unintelligible jar-gon of unmeaning fyllables, to give a high opinion of their knowledge, as is customary in some other countries; nor do they ever destroy their patients by an inundation of physic; what they principally regard, is the nature of the disorder, and the constitution of the patient; and towards a true investigation of both thefe, the eye at the end of the middle finger doth not a little contribute, as the reader will see in our next volume.

As foon as the doctor had thrust his eyefinger down Jemmy's throat, he turned to the magistrates, and delivered himself in the following manner.

"This patient has heretofore used a great deal of exercise, and since his confinement here, has been in a state of in-

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"dolence, by which means the tubes and glands, or pipes and strainers, whereof the body is composed, being deprived of their usual activity or motion, are as it were rusted over, like the wheels of a jack for want of use; you must therefore calbolade him; but give him no

"other physic." Master Jenny was very earnest to know what physic they would prepare for him, and often made signs to the nurse for his medicines; but instead of Pills, Potions, Bolusses, Draughts, Lotions, and Liniments, he was surprised to see four of the strongest Angelicans enter the next morning with a blanket; however, amazed as he was, they threw him in, and carrying him up to the sunny side of the hill, there first swung him, and after that tossed him gently, till he was in a prossus fiveat, and then being wrapped up in the blanket, he was again conveyed home to his own bed.

Jemmy the next morning complained that he was cold, which the doctor being informed of, ordered so large a parcel of billet-wood into his apartment, that you would have thought he had intended to burn down the whole house, and on that score Jemmy was in some pain; but when

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figns were made for him to carry this wood up stairs, and lay it in the room above, his fears dispersed, and sinding himself sufficiently warmed, and much better for the exercise, he every day during his confinement, carried the same wood up stairs and down, till he was both warmed and weary, and by that means soon recovered both his health and strength. And this method of getting well without physic, and keeping himself warm without the expence of fire, Jemmy has desired us to publish for the benefit of the British nation.

N. B. Here it unfortunately happens that are obliged to break off, and that abruptly, which may feem somewhat like a disappointment to our readers. However, as Mr. Jonathan Gadabout has unhappily lost, or mislaid, the papers that came from his son, we must beg of our readers to suspend their curiosity till these valuable materials can be obtained, for the recovery of which a reveard is bereby offered of twenty thousand pounds.

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HISTORY

OF THE

MERCOLIANS.

Communicated by

Master BROLIO of LILLIPUT.

The Road to the Temple of FAME is through the Temple of VIRTUE.

THE MERCOLIANS, a people who possessed an island in the Lilliputian seas, had by their industry, trade, and commerce, acquired immense riches. By their shipping they made the product of all nations their own, and the inhabitants of the neighbouring isles, and on the continent, were their slaves and dependants. Nothing, however, is so difficult to manage as too much





much wealth; and a state may be crushed under the weight of its own power, which was the fate of the MERCOLIANS. They grew proud, infolent and idle. The only use they made of their riches was to purchase them new invented pleasures. They funk in down-beds, and grew effeminate; exercise, which strings the nerves and preferves health, was a stranger to them; they turned day into night, and night into day, and wasted their most valuable and precious time, in routs, drums, and riotous affemblies: but see at once the force of human folly, and the end of human grandeur! They made a law to naturalize the flaves and refuse of other nations; they took counsel of strangers; they chose their generals and officers from a foreign people, and were at last plundered and dispossessed of their property by their own dependants. Such was the fate of the MERCO-LIANS; and may this be a warning to all future states.

In this confusion some of the best families left Mercolia, and took possession of an island uninhabited in the same seas, but were followed by their enemies, who drew up in battle array to destroy them. At this instant of time, when no prospect of safety H 2 remained.

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remained, and every man expected his fate, Mafter Turvolo, a lad of about fourteen years, arose, and thus adressed himself to the MERCOLIANS. " Brethren ana you men of MERCOLIA! let not fear drive you to madness! you have lives, you have families, you have effects worth preserving, and the means is in your hands to do it. Let every man deliver to me his money, the only source and cause of his misfortune, and I will deliver you from these people, who from being your flaves and dependants, are now become your lords and dictators." He then took a large heap of money which he divided into three hundred bags; untied, and distributed those bags to the same number of men, to each man his bag; and placed them be-hind those of his friends who were armed; and when the purfuers came upon them, those men as they were directed, scattered the money upon the ground, which diverted the foldiers from their duty, and fet them to fighting among themselves; and the MERCOLIANS stood at a distance and beheld them destroying one another, till such time as their forces were sufficiently weakened, and then they turned upon them, and overthrew them with a great flaughter. After this Master Turvolo was placed at

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feals were given them at the public expence, as a testimony of their esteem; but to those who were lazy, indolent, and did nothing for the fervice of the community, no feals were given, nor were they fuffered to enter the temple. And if at any time those who had procured that honour, degenerated, that mark of esteem was taken from them, and a badge of infamy placed on their backs, which they were obliged to wear, or abandon their friends and country. Nor did either honour or infamy descend from the father to the fon, for every man was to win his own laurels, and be accountable for his own actions only .- Besides this, as the ill use of money had corrupted the morals of the people, rendered them effeminate, and overthrew them before; he obliged all the inhabitants every four years to bring their money into the public trea-fury, from which an equal distribution was again made, to each person his share; and those who had multiplied their stock by honest means, had the thanks of the community, and fome marks of royal favour from the king.

Thus did little king TURVOLO raise a ruined state, and make a miserable people happy; for, in a few years, peace reigned

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in every breast, and plenty smiled in every valley: They had no ambition but of excelling in virtue, and no contentions, but who should be most religious and most just. Locks, bolts, and bars, they had no occasion for, fince thieves there were none, nor did they need any of the dreadful instruments of war:—For every man loved the LORD his GOD with all his heart, with all his foul, and with all his strength, and his Neighbour as himself.



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HISTORY O F

Master Tommy Thoroughgood,

AND

Master Francis Froward.

Two Apprentices to the fame Master.

Inferted at the Request of several Gentlemen of the Common Council of the City of London.

MASTER Thomas Thoroughgood, the younger fon of a country gentleman, was put out apprentice to an eminent tradesman in Cheapside. The master finding his business increase, was obliged to take another about two years after, whose name was Francis Froward.

Thomas had behaved exceedingly well, was very diligent and honest, as well as good; he used to say his prayers constantly every morning and night; he never went





to play when he should be at church or about his master's business; never was known to tell a lye, nor ever staid when he was fent on an errand. These rare qualifications had gained him the affections of his mafter and mistress, and made him a favourite in the family before Francis came to them. It was in a great measure owing to mafter Tommy's character in the neighbourhood, that Mr. Froward was induced to comply with the mafter's demands, not doubting but his fon, in fuch a happy fituation, and with a companion of fo fweet a disposition, would one day turn out to his fatisfaction, and be a comfort to him in his old age.

Francis, in the first year of his apprenticeship, began to discover the natural bent of his inclination. He chose to associate himself with naughty boys in the streets, and seemed to place his whole delight in loose and idle diversions; he neglected the business of the shop when at home, and entirely forgot it when he was abroad. These, and many more indiscretions of the like nature, Tommy Thoroughpood concealed at first from his master, though not with-

out some inward uneafiness.

In the fourth year's fervice, our young fpark, who was an only child, and heir to a pretty fortune, gave farther proofs of his vicious turn of mind, and frequently launched out into follies and debaucheries of a more heinous nature; for now he made no scruple of absenting himself from church on the Lord's-day; always staid out late when he knew his master was engag'd in company, and at fuch times very rarely return'd home fober; nay, he had fometimes the affurance to lie out of his master's house all night. In order to deter him from pursuing this wick-ed course of life, Mr. Thoroughgood threatened to inform his mafter of his scandalous behaviour, and to acquaint his parents of his misconduct. But alas! all these menaces prov'd ineffectual, and instead of working out his reformation, ferved only to heighten his resentment, and to raise daily squabbles and animolities between them. Hereupon Mr. Thoroughgood finding all his good offices hitherto thrown away, at length determined no more to meddle in the affair, or even to offer his brotherly advice; but to leave the unhappy youth to follow the dictates of his own perverse will; being resolved at the same time to take particular care that he should not, in any of his mischievous frolicks, defrand

fraud his master, and thereby cast an odium

upon his fellow-prentice.

The mafter was chosen alderman of the ward, and Mr. Thoroughgood was out of his time in the same year; and from his faithful fervice, and unblameable conduct, had now the whole management of the trade, as well abroad as at home, committed to his care and inspection. This great charge ob-lig'd him to keep a stricter eye over Francis's behaviour, who was just entering into the last year of his apprenticeship, and imagined his actions were above the cognizance of one, who, the other day was but his equal; and on this account would neither bear his reproof, nor hearken to his admonition; but continued to riot in all the follies and degeneracies of human nature, till his apprenticeship was expired. So true it is, that the wicked bateth reproof, but the wife man lendeth his ear to instruction.

Mr. Francis having been for a long while impatient of a fervile life, was now become his own mafter, and feem'd eager of putting himself upon a level with his late companion. To effect this, he goes down to his father, and prevails upon him to fet him up in the bufiness, that he might trade for himfelf. The reins were no fooner laid on his

neck, then he gave a loose to his sensual appetites, and in little more than four years had a statute of bankruptcy taken out against him. The unexpected news of this fatal event instantly broke his mother's heart, nor did the old gentleman survive her long. Hereupon our heir was obliged to sell the personal and mortgage the real estate, to procure his liberty, and to fatisfy the af-fignees. In this finking fituation, after the days of mourning were over, he lett the house his father lived in, and returned again to London, where he purchased a handsome equipage, commenced the fine gentleman, frequented the balls, masquerades, playhouses, routs, drums, &c. &c. and cut as good a figure as the best of them. But here let us leave him for a while, and turn our eyes to a worthier object.

In the same space of time which Mr. Froward took to squander away a good estate, Mr. Thoroughgood had, by his own industry, and from a small fortune, gained one confiderably better, and was in a fair way of encreasing it. The former made pleasure his business, but the latter made business his pleasure, and was rewarded accordingly. The alderman, who by his own application and Mr. Thoroughgood's assistantly, was grown very

very rich, had no child now living but a daughter, of whom both he and his lady were extremely fond; they had nothing fo much at heart as to fee her well fettled in the world. She was the youngest, and just now turned of twenty. She had many fuitors, but refolved to encourage none without the confent of her parents, who would often, when by themselves, tell her that it was their joint opinion she could not dispose of herself better than to Mr. Thomas, and would frequently ask how she liked him? for they would be unwilling to marry her against her own inclination. Her usual answer was, "Your choice shall be mine; " my duty shall never be made subser-" vient to any fenfual passion." This reply was not so full and expressive as they expected; and as mothers are commonly very dexterous in finding out their daughters maladies, madam had good reason to believe, from some observations she made on miss's behaviour, that her affections were already fixed, and that she was deeply in love with fomebody else, which was the cause of her unusual anxiety. Hereupon, as she was fitting at work one evening in a melancholy posture, they called her, and defired to be informed whether the husband they proposed

proposed was disagreeable to her, if so, she should chuse for herself.

The young lady (after fome hefitation) with bluffes confessed her regard for Mr. Theroughgood; which gave infinite statisfaction to the alderman and his lady, who were overjoyed at the prospect they had of marrying their daughter to a person of such

prudence, integrity and honour.

The next day, as foon as dinner was over, the alderman and his lady withdrew, and left the two lovers together all the evening; from this interview they became fensible of each other's approaching happines, and about a month after were joined together, to the great satisfaction of all parties concerned. From this day the bridegroom was taken into partnership, and transacted the whole business himself. In process of time his father-in-law died, and left him in possession of all his substance. He succeeded him also in his dignity, and after having served the office of sheriff, was in a few years called to the chair.

Mr. Froward, whom we left a while ago pursuing his pleasures and wicked inclinations, had long before this time been reduced to poverty; and, like many other thoughtless wretches, betook himself to the

highway and the gaming-table, in hopes of recovering a lost fortune. He had followed this destructive trade with some success, and, without being discovered, above three years; but was at length taken near Endfield, and brought to his trial at the Old-Bailey. during his fellow-prentice's mayoralty, and cast for his life. When he was brought to the bar to receive fentence, his lordship recollecting Mr. Froward's name, examined who he was, and asked if he was not the same person that served his time with Mr. Alderman ***, in Cheapside. This he positively denied; but notwithstanding he used all possible means to disguise himself, his person and speech betrayed him. My lord, animated with the principles of compassion and benevolence, and imagining that his design of concealing himself in this wretched fituation might very probably proceed from shame or despair, took no farther notice of it in court, but, forgetting his present difgrace, as well as his former arrogance and indifcretion, privately procured his fentence o be changed into transportation for life.

The ship in which Mr. Froward embarked, by stress of weather drove into a certain port in Jamaica, where he, in less than ten days, was sold to a noted planter,

and doomed to perpetual flavery. You may imagine how shocking this prospect must appear to a gentleman, who had just before squandered away a good estate in in-dolence and pleasure, who never knew what it was to work, nor had ever given himfelf time to think upon the nature of industry. However, he no sooner began to reflect upon his present wretched situation, and his late providential deliverance from death, than he also began to repent of his former transgressions; and finding himself in a strange country, unknown to any person about him, he patiently fubmitted his neck to the yoke, and endured his fervility with an uncommon fortitude of mind. In the first place, he determined, during all the time of his labour, to offer up continual thanksgivings to Almighty God for his ma-nifold mercies bestowed on so unworthy a creature, and to devote all his leifure hours to the duty of repentance. His next refolution was to obey his master's commands, to ferve him faithfully, and to perform what-ever business was imposed on him, so far and fo long as his health and strength would permit; not doubting but the same God, who had preserved him hitherto, in such a wonderful manner, would accept the oblations

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tions of a contrite heart, and enable him to go thro' it with courage and chearfulness.

The first month's service, as he himself told me, went very hard with him. His hands bliftered, his feet grew fore and raw, and the heat of the climate was almost insupportable; but as custom makes every flation familiar, before three months were expired, all these grievances were at an end; and he, naturally endued with a spirit of emulation, would not fuffer himfelf to be outdone by any of his fellow flaves. The superintendant observing his extraordinary affiduity, could not help taking notice of him, and would frequently give him encouragement, either by calling him off to go on a trivial errand, or by thrusting some money into his hand. He behaved in this manner near two years, when his master was informed of his good disposition, and removed him from that laborious employment to an easier, where he had more frequent opportunities of paying adoration to that Almighty Being, who supported him under all his afflictions. In these intervals, he was generally found with a book in his hand, or on his knees, from which practice he received great confolation, as he often affured me.

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At the expiration of three years, Sir Tho. Thoroughgood, who made previous inquiry after his fellow-prentice's behaviour abroad, fent orders to his agent in Jamaica, to purchase Mr. Froward's freedom, and to advance him 100l. that he might be enabled to get his own livelihood; but at the same time gave strict orders to his friend, not to let Mr. Froward know who was his benefactor, and to lay his master under the like injunction. In a short time after, Mr. Froward was discharged from slavery; but did not express so much joy on the occasion, as might have been reasonably expected. From the good usage he met with in servitude, and the unufual favours he received from the superintendant, as well as the planter, he had conceived a great liking for the lat-ter, and feemed to part with him not without some inward reluctance, tho' with apparent surprise; which was much heightened by the additional favour of a note for a hundred pounds payable upon fight to Mr. Francis Froward or order, delivered to him by the fame hand, foon after he received the discharge before-mentioned. During this confusion, the gentleman, who re-ally had a value for his late servant, told him, he was welcome to be at his house till

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he was fettled, and that he would do all the good offices in his power, to promote his future welfare. Mr. Froward replied, "Sir, " you cannot do me greater fervice than to "let me know who is my generous bene-factor; because it is incumbent upon me to make some acknowledgment." The mafter positively refused to do this, and turned off the discourse, by asking how he intended to dispose of himself and money. " Sir, (fays he) I am not unacquainted with " the nature of trade, and labour is now be-" come habitual to me, and as I am well " skilled in the cultivation of the sugar-" cane, I would willingly rent a small plan-" tation of that kind, and work upon it " for myself." The planter approved of this design, and promised him assistance.

In about a month after, Mr. Froward met with a bargain, agreeable to his substance, and worked upon it as hard as if he had been a real slave, with this difference only, that he could now spare more time in the service of his all-powerful redeemer. In the interim, his late master procured him a wife with a handsome fortune, who had a sugar-work of her own, and some negroes: he purchased more, and by his industry thrived amain, and in a few years laid up tool. in specie.

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In this comfortable flate, nothing gave him uneafinefs, but that he could not come to the knowledge of his kind benefactor; never was man more anxious to fnew his gratitude, or more follicitous to find out his friend! One day, as he was at his devotions, a strange gentleman came to his habitation, and defired to fee him. He was no fooner admitted, than he accosted him in the following manner: " Mr. Froward, I am " commander of the Dove frigate, whose " principal owner is Sir Tho. Thoroughgood, " and am just arrived from England: By " Sir Thomas's orders I am to inform you " that his Jamaica agent is dead, and he " has made choice of you to succeed him " here in that station. I have a commission " from him, for you, in my pocket, to dif-" pose of my cargo, and to freight me again " for my voyage home. He never would " own it, but I am well affured, he is the " person who saved your life, who redeem-" ed you from bondage, and was the sole "inftrument of your present prosperity." Nothing could have given Mr. Froward fo great pleasure and satisfaction, as this last piece of intelligence; he knew not how to make the captain welcome enough, he kept him all night, and in the morning

made him a present of a hogshead of rum. He made all the possible dispatch in disposing of his cargo, and freighted him out with the utmost expedition. With the rest of the goods, he sent Sir Thomas ten hogsheads of sugar, and as many of rum, for a present, with the following letter.

" Honoured Sir,

Transported with joy, and drowned in tears, I fend this testimony of my esteem, of which I humbly hope your acceptance, as well as of those small tokens of my gratitude, with which it is accompanied. Next under God, 'tis to you, dear Sir, that I owe my life, my liberty, and my all. Happy me, had I listened to your advice in my nonage! happy still, as by your means, I have been directed to the paths of virtue. 'Tis to you I am indebted for my present comfortable situation, and the dawning prospect of suture happiness: The bills of lading, &c. are sent by Mr. *****, and all your business here, with which I am entrufted, shall be executed with the utmost diligence and sidelity. I have only to add my prayers for the continuation of your life and health, who have been fo beneficial to many, but more particularly to, Honoured Sir, Your most bumble, most obliged,

though most unworthy, fervant, FRANCIS FROWARD." (94)

Sir Thomas was highly pleased with the purport of his letter, though he rallied the captain for letting him know to whom he was obliged for his freedom. The same ship was fent the next season on the same voyage, when the captain was ordered to pay Mr. Froward the full price for the rum and sugar he had sent to the knight, and to deliver him the following letter.

Mr. Froward.

" Sir,

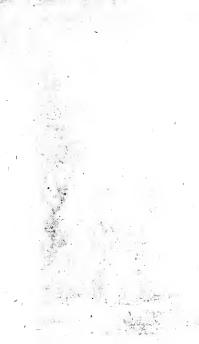
I thank you for the acknowledgment you made for the good offices I did you, and shall ever esteem the present as it was intended; but have neither power nor inclination to rob you of any thing you have acquired by dint of merit. My design is, to add to your acquisitions, and not to diminish them, as you will experience: only persevere in your present course of life, and you will make me ample amends for all I have, or can do for you.

I am, Sir, your real friend,

T. Thoroughcood."

Mr. Froward, who was uneafy that his friend refused his present, continued in a thriving





thriving condition several years. And now his wife died without issue; he, grown very rich, and advanced in years, disposed of the sugar-work, and left off all manner of business, except that of Sir Tho. Thoroughgood's. At length he himself was seized with a pettilential sever, and carried off in a few days. He bore the torture of his distemper with exemplary patience, and met his approaching destiny with an intrepidity of soul scarce to be parallelled. That you may the better judge of his sentiments of gratitude, I have herewith sent a copy of his last will.

In the name of God, Amen. I Francis Froward of _____, in Jamaica, being of found mind and memory, do hereby make my last will and testament, in form and manner following, that is to say:

manner following, that is to fay:

Imprimis, I bequeath my foul to Almighty God that gave it, hoping, and fully trufting, that I shall be faved and made eternally happy by the merits of my dear redeemer Jejus Chrift, who suffered for me

and all mankind.

Liem, As the poor convicts in prison, where I had once the misfortune to be confined, are not attended, and instructed as they ought to be, by persons who seek their eternal

eternal falvation; I do give and bequeath fifty pounds a year, to purchase for their use fuch books as the archbishop of Canterbury, the bishop of London, and the sheriffs of London and Middlesex shall think proper to

put into their hands. Item, As the laws of England, however wifely constructed, have made no provision for poor people born in distant parts, and become miserable there, but left them to perish in the streets, lanes, and publick places; I do give and bequeath five hundred pounds a year, to be laid out for their relief, in such a manner as shall seem most agreeable to the lord-mayor of London, for the time being, and to the trustees that shall be nominated by my executors.

Item, And as many poor tradefmen and labourers are artfully seduced and persuaded to enter themselves on board merchant ships for this and other colonies in his majesty's dominions; and are afterwards at sea unwarily drawn in to indent themselves servants to the owners of the vessel, and from that moment commence slaves, and as such are fold in the public markets of the colonies, and generally ill-treated; I do give and bequeath sive hundred pounds a year for the redemption of such unhappy people

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and for the profecution of those who have been the abettors and contrivers of their ruin.

Item, As gratitude is of all oblations the greatest and most acceptable, I do give and bequeath to my dear friend Mr. Thomas Thoroughgood, merchant in London, who saved me from an ignominious death, and redeemed me from slavery, all the rest and residue of my real and personal estate; and I do nominate and appoint him, and his heirs and executors, my heirs and executors for ever. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal, this third day of May, 1680,

Witness, Thomas Williams, John Wilson, Richard Jones.



FRANCIS FROWARD.

THE

H I S T O R Y

Mifs SALLY SILENCE:

Communicated by Lady BETTY LIVELY.

MISS SALLY SILENCE was to be fure the best little girl in the world: She did every thing her papa and mamma bid her: Nay, more—the endeavoured to avoid giving them that trouble; for, if the knew of any thing they wanted, away the ran for it in an inflant, and agreeably furprifed them with what they had occafion for, before they had time even to ask for it. This to be fure made every body admire her; but what rendered her still more amiable was her great love of truth, and her vast dislike to noise and nonsense. When other girls were hollowing, quarrelling, and disturbing the whole neighbourhood, she was demure and filent. Now, there lived in that country a certain duke, who valued his peace and quiet above every earthly bleffing; he made his addresses to several ladies, but found thay were proud, conceited, and too much given to prattle; at last, being informed of Miss SALLY's good sense, virtue, and prudent

dent behaviour, he made her several visits, and was so charmed with her chearfulness and fweet disposition, that he married her, though she had not a farthing to her fortune, and made her the great golden dutchess of Downright. Soon after his grace was married, he bought her a fine gilt coach, on which were painted two doves with an olive-branch, to represent their peace and conjugal affection, and the was drawn by fix milk-white horses, as an emblem of her virtue and innocence. She lived with my lord duke in a state of happiness for many years, and when she died, he ordered this inscription to be wrote on her tomb, as a lesson to all little girls:

Here lie the Remains of the Dutchess of

Downright,

who, when a maiden, was no other than SARAH SILENCE, a poor Farmer's Daughter;

From her Attachment to Goodness she

Her Virtue raised her from a mean State to an high degree of Honour,

Her Innocence procured her Peace in her last Moments.

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She fimiled, even in agony, And embraced death, as a friendly pilot who was to fleer her

To a more exalted state of Bliss.

Whoever thou art, observe these her Rules, and become Thyself A copy of this bright EXAMPLE.

Be chearful, but be innocent.-Be obliging to all, though familiar with none but the good-hear what all men fay, but take counsel only of the wife-Never be tempted to tell a lie, nor do any thing whereby your virtue and your honesty may be called in question; for among all your grandeur, all your riches and equipage, those are your brightest and most valuable gems. -Be peaceable, and be happy-love your friends, love your neighbours, love your enemies; but above all, love, honour and adore that ALMIGHTY BEING who gave you being; observe his laws which are written in the Holy Scriptures; and in the midst of your misfortunes, if you meet with any, rely entirely on his protection; who is a father to the fatherless, who putteth down the wicked from their feat, and exalteth the bumble and meck.

A

MORNING HYMN,

FOR

All Little good Boys and GIRLS:

Which is also proper for People of riper Years.

By a Young GENTLEMAN

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Thou! who lately clos'd my eyes, And calm'd my foul to reft, Now the dull blank of darkness-flies, Be thank'd, be prais'd, and blest.

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And as thou fav'st me in the night
From anguish and dismay,
Lead through the labours of the light,
And dangers of the day.

Tho

Tho' from thy laws I daily fwerve. Yet ftill thy mercy grant; Shield me from all that I deferve, And grant me all I want.

Howe'er she's tempted to descend, Keep reason on her throne; From all men's passions me desend, But chiefly from my own.

Give me a heart t' affish the poor, Ev'n as thy hand bestows; For thee and man a love most pure, And friendship for my foes.

6.
This, thro' the merits, death and birth
Of our blefs'd Lord be giv'n;
So shall I compass peace on earth,
And endless blifs in heav'n.



The PEACOCK.

THE Peacock, of his gaudy train And tread majestic idly vain, Each simple gazer views with joy, And dotes upon the feather'd toy; But when he screams with hideous cry, The ear is plagu'd to please the eye.

MORAL.

By this allusion justly stung, Each tinsel'd sop should hold his tongue.

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LEARNING

IN

LILLIPUT.

MASTER HIRON, the young gentleman of whom we gave you fome account in page 29, observing that the language of the Lilliputians was irregular, and difficult to be understood, established the following alphabet of letters, and regulated their founds, when blended and intermixed with each other, in this manner, The (105)

The aiphabet confifted of the following twenty-fix letters;

Abcdefghijklmnopqrft

wwxyz.

And these letters, at the request of master *Hiron*, and by authority of the king, were to bear the following sounds.

a, bee, cee, dee, e, eff, gee, aytch, i, ja, ka, el, em, en, o, pee, qu, ar, es, tee, yu, vee, double yu, eks, wi, zed.

Now out of these twenty-fix letters, you will observe, there are five that express a found of themselves, without the aid or affiftance of any other letter; for which reason those are called vowels; and without one of these vowels, that is to, say, without the affiftance either of an a, or an e, or an i, or an o, or an u, no word can be form'd. Besides these five vowels the w and y are sometimes considered as such, and are very often made use of; the former instead of u, and the latter instead of i; and when used in this manner, they convey the found, and have the power of those two vowels. You are likewise defired to observe, that sometimes two of those

those vowels, when joined together, make but one sound; as in the words, Boy, too, Day, Lee, Tea, and then they are called Dipthongs. And sometimes three vowels are also joined in one sound, as in the words beau, lieu, view, and these are

called Tripthongs. All those letters in the alphabet abovementioned, which cannot be founded without being joined to one or more of the vowels, are called Confonants. And by these twenty-six letters, all the words in the world may be expressed and wrote down; which is amazing, and what one would never suppose such a little boy could have discovered. Pray consider how wonderful it is, that twenty-fix letters should be found out, by which alone the Lilliputians, the Mercolians, the English, the French, the Spaniards, the Italians, the Dutch, and in fhort, the people of all other nations upon the earth, can express all the words that ever have been, or ever will be invented by any of them: and then tell me if you don't think Billy Hiron was a charming little boy! And from hence it is plain, my dear, that little boys and girls can do very furprising things, and learn a great deal in a very little time, if

they

they please; and as we all know, that learning is the road to preferment, to riches, to honour, and even wisdom itself, I hope we shall have no dunce amongst the members of our fociety; if there be, we shall serve him as the bees do a drone in the hive, send him packing to some other place.

After this alphabet had been some time in use, master Hiron sound it was necessary in many cases, that the letters should be made in a different manner; he therefore procured an order from the king for them

to be made thus:

ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQ RSTUVWXYZ.

And these he called Capitals, because the use he put them to was to distinguish any word that required more than ordinary notice. He likewise ordered, that every line in poetry, the name of every perfon and thing, and the first letter in every discourse after a period or full point, should begin with a Capital.

RIDDLE L

HEN CÆSAR did this isle invade, I sirst experienced royal aid;
Nay, now to Majesty belong,
Tho' subject to the vulgar throng,
Who with uncivil usage treat,
And trample me beneath their feet;
With heavy burdens me oppress,
And money gain by my distres;
Yet all their insults I endure,
While they my given bruises cure.
I am in every country found,
And traverse all the kingdom round:
Say what my name is, so well known,
That I'm a common proverb grown.

RIDDLE II.

IN courts and cottages we may be found, Our fkirts with fringe of colours bound; And as we were by providence defign'd, To guard from harm a fav'rite apple join'd,

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For this cause we ne'er far asunder stray, But meet and part a thousand times a day. When dark, like loving couples we unite, And cuddle close together every night.



R I D D L E III.

Was before the world began, And shall for ever last, 'Ere Adam was form'd into a man, And out of Eden cast. Your mirthful moments I attend, And mitigate your grief,

Th' industrious peasant I befriend, To pris'ners give relief.

Make much of me if you are wife, And use me while you may;

For you will leave me in a trice, And I for no man stay. (110)

That's My Honey.

A

New COUNTRY DANCE.

By Mifs Alice ****.



CLAP three, and cast off and turn ... Second couple do the same ... Foot it to your partner, cast off, and right and left.

JESTS.

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A Gascon officer who served under Henry IV. king of France, not having received any pay for a considerable time, came to the king, and considerable time, him, Sir, three words with your majesty, Money or Discharge. Four with you, answered the king, neither one nor t'other.

A young student shewing the Musaum at Oxon to gentlemen and ladies, among other things produced a rusty sword: This, fays the student, is the sword with which Balaum was going to kill his as. Upon which one of the company replied, that he thought Balaum had no sword, but only wished for one. You are right, says the student, and this is the very sword he wished for.

It has been often observ'd, and with too much truth, that English gentlemen reap no benefit by travelling. Tom Smart made a pretty use of this, when he told a prating coxcomb just returned from Italy, that the English went out figures and returned cyphers.

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ÆNIGMAS

ANSWER'D.

By Mafter SAMMY SYDROPHEL.

IF a young Lilliputian your riddles find out,

You will give him a book for his trouble

The first then is ADAM—for no male befide

E're fo young did encounter a beautiful bride.

The fecond's a GRIDIRON, whose ribs, when meat's on.

Drop fat in the fire, altho' they have none. The third is—but hold—for mistaken I may be,

A fine painted Doll, or a Gingerbread-Baby.

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An HYMN from the 37th PSALM.

By a LADY.

I.

S by the streams of Babylon,
- Far from our native soil we sat,
et Zion! thee we thought upon,
and every thought a tear begat.

II.

ft the willows waving there our filent harps we penfive hung. I they, who captiv'd us, let's hear ome fong which ye in Zion fung.

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shall we tune our voice to sing,
Ir touch our harps with skilful hands,
I hymns of Joy to God our King,
'e sung by slaves in foreign lands?

IV

alem! our once happy feat,
f I of thee forgetful prove,
then my trembling hand forget
he speaking string and art to move.

to moan o'er thee forbear, ternal filence feize my tongue; if I fing one chearful air Fill thy deliverance is my fong.

THE

THE LAST

ÆNIGMA

ANSWER'D.

By Mafter SAMMY SYDROPHEL.

IF a young Lilliputian your riddles to out,

You will give him a book for his trou

The first then is ADAM—for no male!

E're so young did encounter a beauti bride.

The fecond's a GRIDIRON, whose ri

Drop fat in the fire, altho' they have not The third is—but hold—for mistaken may be,

A fine painted Doll, or a Gingerbrea Baby.

An HYMN from the 37th PSALM.

By a LADY.

T.

As by the streams of Babylon,
Far from our native soil we sat,
Sweet Zion! thee we thought upon,
And every thought a tear begat.

II.

Aloft the willows waving there
Our filent harps we penfive hung.
Said they, who captiv'd us, let's hear
Some fong which ye in Zion fung.

How shall we tune our voice to sing, Or touch our harps with skilful hands, Can hymns of Joy to God our King, Be sung by slaves in foreign lands?

IV

O Salem! our once happy feat,
If I of thee forgetful prove,
Let then my trembling hand forget
The fpeaking string and art to move.

If I to moan o'er thee forbear,
Eternal filence seize my tongue;
Or if I sing one chearful air

'Till thy deliverance is my fong.

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HISTORY

Of LITTLE

POLLY MEANWELL,

Who was afterwards the

QUEEN of PETULA.

POLLY Meanwell's father and mother died when she was very young, and left her to the care of an uncle, who was an old rich batchelor, covetous to the last degree, and one who cared for nobody but himself. He put her to school a little after her parents death, but finding that by a slaw in some writings, he had the power of taking every thing to himself, he did so, and deprived poor Polly of what her sather and mother left for her substitutione, and turned her out of doors.

Polly was at first very uneasy at losing all her fine cloaths, and at being obliged to go to hard work, which Mr. Williams, the parson of the parish, observing, that good man came to her one day, and comforted

her in this manner. " Don't be cast down. " Polly, at your fine cloaths being gone, "those ragged ones will keep you warm," and that is the only use of cloaths; for people are not a bit the better for wear-" ing fine garments. 'Tis true, you can't " have your tea and your coffee, your " tarts and your cheefecakes, your cuftards and fyllabubs as usual, but what does "that fignify? You can by your labour get other victuals: then your working for it makes it go down the sweeter, " and at the same time keeps you in health; the bed you lie upon feems as foft, after a hard day's work, as your down beds, I suppose, used to be; why then should "you be uneasy? Be a good girl, say your prayers, and put your trust in God Almighty; and he will give you what his allknowing 'wifdom fees you want." Polly was fo pleased with this speech, that the dropt Mr. Williams a courtefy, and for the future, refolved to mind nothing but her duty, and not repine at Providence. As the went to church constantly, and

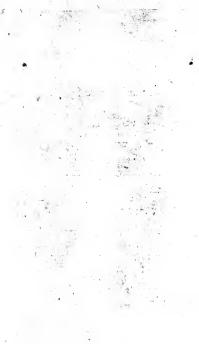
was very devout there, every body took notice of her, and one merchant's wife in particular, fent to the fexton to know what

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little ragged girl that was that came to church fo constantly, and behaved so well there. The fexton answered, that 'twas Polly Meanwell; and, "Madam," faid he, "though Polly is so poor and so ragged, fhe is the best girl in the parish." "Is " she so?" fays the lady, " then pray give her this new bible, and this piece of " money;" and put into his hand a crown for her. Some time afterwards, this lady, who was very rich, dropped, as she was stepping into her coach, a green purse suit of guineas, and a fine diamond ring, which Polly had the good fortune to pick up. Now some naughty girls would have kept all this money, and not have carried it to the lady; and indeed one of her neighbours advised her to do so. But Pelly was angry with her, and told her, she was a wicked woman to put fuch naughty things into a little girl's head. " How can I go " to church and fay my prayers to God " Almighty, fays she, and at the same time "be guilty of such a dishonest thing?" and what good do you think this money " will do me? why none; 'twill only " corrupt what little I get by my labour, and make God Almighty angry with " me." So she got a paper wrote, and nailed





nailed it up at the church door, to let every body know that *Polly Meanwell*, the little ragged girl, had found a large fum of money, and a fine diamond ring, and that the owner might have it on describing the purse and ring;

The lady hearing of this, fent for Polly and described the purse and the ring, which Polly returned to her, who gave her ten guineas. "And now Polly, fays she, as "I know you are a very honest, religious and good girl, I will provide for you. "Go into the next room, and strip off "your ragged cloaths, and put on those "new ones you'll find on the great chair, and you shall wait on my daughter to

"the East-Indies; where, if you behave in the same manner you have hitherto done, you will become a great woman; for God Almighty will certainly bless

" you."

Some years after this, and when Polly was grown a woman, the lady fet off for the East-Indies, and Polly with her. But in their passage, they were taken by Angria the pirate; and poor Polly being a beautiful girl, was again reduced to great distress; for Angria made several attempts on her virtue, and because she would not comply with

with his wicked desires, he put her into a dark prison, and would not suffer her mistress to see her. Now this happened at a time when K.lan-mi Dolan, a very rich king in India, came to visit his dominions; for part of which, Angria the pirate paid him a tribute; and being informed how this poor captive had been punished on account of her virtue, he procured her freedom of Angria, and took her with him to his palace of Ilsoban.

King Kolan-mi Dolan intended to make her one of his concubines; but Polly was determined not to be guilty of any thing fo wicked, she therefore fell on her knees to him and said, "O king! you have done "a glorious action in delivering me from "that wicked man Appria. for which I

" that wicked man Angria, for which I
hope God Almighty will amply reward
you; for he hath promifed to be a friend

" you; for he hath promised to be a friend to those who defend the innocent, and fupport the helples. Do not, therefore,

"O king, lose the bleffing of the Almigh-

"ty, and fully your own honour, by depriving me of my virtue, which I hold
more dear than life itself. Ah! why

" should you, for a sensual gratification, a

" momentary pleasure, make me miserable for ever? Consider, I beseech you, be-

fore

fore whom you stand: God Almighty takes notice of your actions as well " as mine, nor can these things be hid "from his fight; for the darkness is no darkness with him; but the night is as clear as the day. You and all your hosts are but as nothing with respect to him. " Look in the charnel-houses of your fathers, where is now their power, their " pomp, their grandeur? they are now but
duft, and mingled with the drofs of
mankind. Why then should pride tempt
you to provoke God, or wickedness " prompt you to commit a fin, which " perhaps may be your overthrow? Kill " me you may, but you shall never de" prive me of my virtue and honour."

Kolan-mi Dolan was fo surprised at this heroic answer, that for a considerable time he could make no reply: he was dumb-with amazement, and fixing his eyes on the beloved object, he revolved in his foul the instability of human grandeur, the majesty of the deity, the dignity of virtue, and the power and perfuafive force of kneeling artless innocence. He then raised Polly from the ground, and addressed him-felf to her in these words: "O my divine " creature! thou art marked out by Providence

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" vidence to read me the lecture I most " wanted, to teach me to turn my thoughts " to their proper centre, and to fearch the " bottom of my heart. Ambition, pride, " luxury, and revenge had planted them-" selves there; but thou hast, by thy prudence and angelic virtue, banished them
thence. I now see myself, and admire "and adore thy superior sense and virtue.

Be my companion for life, and I will this moment discharge all my concubines, the creators of my luxury and folly, and make myself for ever happy with the only." He then married mis Polly in the most folemn manner, according to the ceremonies of her religion, and built for her a palace of jasper, the front of which was overlaid with pure gold, the floor paved with pearls and emeralds, the walls bedecked with the brightest diamonds, and the cielings adorned with the most curious paintings of facred history. She had a large garden richly decorated with the finest grottos, groves, mazey walks, fountains, and purling streams. The turf in it bears 2 continual verdure, the most delicious fruits bow down the labouring branches, to falute the enchanted eye, and the never fading flowers pay an eternal tribute to her

piety and virtue. Here she every evening recreates herself with those ladies of her court who are most distinguished for their virtue and good fense; but her mornings are always spent in hearing the complaints of her people, and promoting their happinefs. Virtues or vices fly from the court, and disperse themselves through a country, in the same manner as the fashions and garbs of dress; what is worn by the great will be affected by the meaner fort. Hence it followed, that the morality and good principles cultivated at court, by miss Polly the queen, were foon fpread throughout all the kingdom, and it became fashionable for people to be virtuous and honest. And what was at first introduced through fashion, is now maintained through prudence; for as it became unfashionable to be wicked, the murders, adulteries, robberies, thefts, &c. with which the nation was continually plagued before, were now not fo much as heard of, and the people found, that in consequence of being VIR-TUOUS they became HAPPY.

So ends the History of little POLLY MEAN-WELL, the Queen of Petula. ********************

THE

HISTORY

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Master PETER PRIMROSE,

Sent to the SOCIETY

BY

Master Tommy Trusty.

ASTER Peter Primrose was a boy of such uncommon abilities, that he was admired by every body. When he was but seven years old, he could say all his catechism perfectly, and repeat the greatest part of his Prayer-book and Testament by heart; then he could answer any question in the Bible, and by reading the Circle of the Sciences, he had also obtained some knowledge of men and things; for all these books you are to observe had been





translated into the language of the country where he lived. Master Peter's fame was founded through the whole kingdom, and though his father was only a fhepherd, and he bred up among the flocks, the king fent for him to court, and placed him among the wife men of the nation. Here he lived in great splendor for some time; for the king gave him a little prancing horse, cloathed with purple and gold, and caused him to ride out every day in company with his only fon. How uncertain are riches and honours, and indeed how frail is all human felicity! Mafter Peter had not been at court above two years, before the good old king and his fon were expelled the kingdom, by an unaccountable faction that arose in the state. Duty and gratitude obliged this young gentleman to take the part of his king and his prince; for which he was persecuted by the opposite party with great fury, and one day, forced into the woods to shield himself from their hatred. Here he lay securely all day, but in the evening, his fears were continually alarmed by the roaring of lions, tygers, wolves, and other beafts of prey; and his compassion excited by the groans and cries of the tender part of the animal creation, M 2 who

who, not being endowed by nature with ftrength and fierceness to oppose their enemies, eafily became victims, and were devoured. This called up in his mind, the cruelties which had been exercised on his poor mafter's family and himfelf, the thoughts of which fo robbed him of his refolution, that he grew heedless of his safety, and fitting down on the green turf, refigned himself to the mercy of the beasts; Ah! why should these creatures, fays he, fill me with horror, who are more merciful than men? These spare their own, and slay only those of another species, but men, more savage men, are bent against each other, and feek their own destruction. Let me fall then by the lion, the tyger, or other animals less cruel, and that act confiftently with the dictates of nature. As this was delivered with great emotion, he was overheard by a hermit, whose cave was concealed under the thicket, by which he lay. The good old man flartled at the found of the human voice, which he had not heard before for years, and supposing it came from one in distress, kindled a brand, for fear of the wild beafts, and ran to his assistance. He found master Primrose stretched on the ground, and by forrow rendered insensible of any danger.

The old man reproached him for despairing of God's providence and mercy. Is it for this, says he, that man is endowed with superior reason, and so highly favoured of the Almighty? Shall the dove, shall the lamb, and other creatures sly for refuge, and sek their own safety, and shall man basely and ungratefully disregard and throw away the life that has been given him? Arise and shake off this shameful sinch, nor longer despair of God's protection. Do your duty, and you will always meet with the savour of Heaven.

The young man, fenfible of the juftness of this reproof, arose and bowed respectfully, and was led by the hermit into his cave, and refreshed with a simple repast the good old man provided for him, and then reposed himself till the morning on a couch of slocks, that here seemed more soft than the down-bed he had been so long

ifed to

In the morning, when he awoke, he related to the old man the history of his life; and the hermit, after giving him such things as were necessary to support him in his journey, dispatched him with this advice. You see, my son, what missing attend the ambitious, The love of riches and of power drew you from a state of innocence, from a M3 delight-

delightful place, where your paths were powed with violets and primroses, to a court where your road was planted with thiftles and thorns. True greatness consists in being good, in promoting the happiness of mankind, and not in wealth and power, as is vainly imagined; for he that hoards up treasure, hoards up trouble, and he that afpires to the highest office of state makes himself a public mark for the multitude to throw their envious arrows at. Retire, my fon, to thy former peaceful abode, there wor-(hip thy God, comfort thy neighbours, and tend thy innocent flock, and leave the affairs of flate to those who have less virtue and more experience. Contentment is the only ingredient that can render life happy, and that is feldom to be found in the palaces of princes.





THE LAST

ÆNIGMAS

ANSWERED.

In a Letter from Master Tommy Trueman.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

A S I have no talents for poetry, you will excuse my answering your last Ænigmas in prose; the sirst then I take to be the Highrapy, or Public Road; the second is the Eye-lids, and the last is Old Time, to the end of whose reign, I hope your Lilliputian Society will substit.

I am,

Ladies and Gentlemen,
Your truly affectionate friend.
and very humble fervant.

Pekin, in China, July 19, 1751.

Tom. TRUEMAN.

Be MERRY and WISE:

ANEW

COUNTRY DANCE.

By Mifs Polly Prudence.



FIRST Couple cross over and turn 2d. Coup. the same .. Man hay with the 3d. Coup. Woman with the 2d. Coup. ... Lead down, up again and cast off.

Friend-

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FRIENDSHIP DISPLAYED;

OR, A

Poor Man's last Will and Testament.

A Poor indigent beggarly creature, weak in body, but found in fense, fent for an attorney to draw his will, which was as follows:

There are two persons, says he, naming them, men of quality and estate, who have ever shew'd themselves my generous friends, and I shall be much to blame not to leave them some token of my love for a remembrance, before I depart this life.

This formal speech, delivered with great gravity, set every body a longing to hear the legacies; for they all knew the man

was not worth a groat.

"I do bequeath, fays he, my aged mother to the care of Aretæus, my particular friend, to be by him provided for and maintained, out of respect to my me-

" mory, when I am dead and gone. And

"to Philoxenus I bequeath my only daughter to be by him disposed of in marriage
with as fair a fortune as he can well
fpare."

This testament look'd more like romance than matter of fast; 'till the two friends appeared and undertook the trust. Philoxenus died in five days after, and upon his death Aretæus took the who'e charge upon himself, and having a daughter of his own, he disposed of her and his friend's daughter both in one day, and gave them two thousands pounds a piece for their portions.

APPLICATION.

'Tis often out of a man's power to do what he would for himself and family; which renders it extremely necessary for him to make choice of a faithful friend, who is, as the wife son of Sirach observes, The Medicine of Life.



W E whose names are hereunto subfcribed, members of the Lilliputian Society, and proprietors in this magazine, co promise, covenant and agree with each other;

First, To fay our prayers every morning and evening, to frequent the public fervice of the church to which we belong, and to keep holy the Sabbatb-day; to love the Lord our God with all our hearts, with all our fouls, and with all our frength; to worship him, to give him thanks, to put our whole trust in him, to honour his holy name and his word, and to ferve him truly all the days of our lives.

SECONDLY, We do promife and agree to love and honour our fathers and mothers, brothers and fifters, relations and friends; to fubmit ourselves to all our governors and teachers, and to behave reverently to all our elders and betters; but more espe-

cially to all pious and good men.

THERDLY, We do agree to live in the firstest friendhip, to promote each others interest and happines, and the interest and happines of all mankind; but especially of those who are poor and distressed. We do also promise, to love our neighbours as ourselves, and to do unto all men as we would they

they should do unto us; to hurt nobody by word or deed, to be true and just in all our dealings; to bear no malice nor hatred in our hearts, to keep our hands from picking and stealing, and our tongues from evil speaking, lying and slandering; to shun the company of all those who use wicked words; to keep our bodies in temperance, sobriety and chastity, and that we will not covet other men's goods, but be contented with what it hath pleased God to give us; for we are well assured, that a contented mind is a continual feast.

Witness our hands, July 3, 1752.

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